

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 333 - HB 408**

January 30, 2021

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Changes the apportionment of representation for the Board of Trustees (Board) for the Citizens Gas Utility District (District) to establish an At-Large position, beginning with the August 2025 election.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Under current law, the Board is established as follows:
  - Public Chapter 237 of 1977 required the Board to consist of five trustees, being elected annually by the customers of the District; and
  - Public Chapter 176 of 1993 established the apportionment of representation on the Board to be three residents of Scott County and two residents of Morgan County; with such trustees being elected by District customers also residing within their respective County.
- The proposed language:
  - Alters the apportionment scheme to require two trustees to be residents of Scott County, two trustees to be residents of Morgan County, and one trustee to be an At-Large trustee who must reside in either Scott or Morgan County; and
  - Authorizes customers residing within Fentress County to vote for trustees filing the Morgan County and At-Large positions but establishes such customers' ineligibility to hold the position of trustee.
- Based on information provided by the District:
  - Trustee elections are conducted publicly at the expense of the District;
  - Elections are held annually in August; and
  - There are 58 customers of the District who reside within Fentress County.
- It is estimated that expanding the District's current elections to include the few customers who reside within Fentress County and altering the current ballot structure to include the At-Large position can be accomplished utilizing existing resources; therefore, any fiscal impact to local government is estimated to be not significant.

## **IMPACT TO COMMERCE:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumption:

- Altering the apportionment of representation on the District's Board will not result in any significant impact to jobs or commerce in Tennessee.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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